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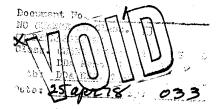
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- The Reichsbahndirektion Berlin is completing arrangements to route Soviet Zone rail traffic around the western sectors of Berlin. This is being done on orders of General Kvashmin, the Soviet Transportation Chief.
- 2. A recent Soviet offer to supply elevated railways (S-Bahn) in the western sectors with current from the Russian Zone was motivated solely by the desire to maintain electric railway traffic from Berlin to neighboring towns. The closing of the system in the western sectors would have resulted in an interruption of essential service. Upon completion of alternate arrangements, current from the Russian Zone now used to operate the S-Bahn will be completely turned off, thus leaving the western sectors of Berlin without the most essential and widely used transportation facility.

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